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<u>AMENDMENT</u>

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Juha Punnonen et al.

Application No.: 09/888,324

Filed: June 22, 2001

For: **NOVEL CO-STIMULATORY**

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Dear Sir:

This Amendment is in response to the Office Action dated September 24, 2004.

Enclosed herewith is a Petition for Extension of Time to extend the time for response for three months from December 24, 2004 to March 24, 2005. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 20 of this paper and include replacement sheets and annotated sheets showing the drawing changes (attached hereto in the Appendix).

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 22 this paper.

Remarks begin on page 29 of this paper.

An **Appendix**, which includes replacement sheets for the amended drawings and annotated sheets showing the changes to the drawings, is attached following page 48 of this paper.